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## CHURCH NOTICES.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. F. W. Beld, Pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday-school at 10 a. m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society and Missionary Society meet the second Tuesday of each month.

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CATHOLIC CHURCH—Commencing Sunday, October 11th, 1904, mass will be celebrated in St. Francis' church at 8 a. m. and 11:30 a. m. On the fourth Sunday of each month mass will be said in Mervyn hall, Glen Ellen, at 9 a. m. on the same day in St. Francis, church at 11 a. m. until further notice.

## LODGE NOTICES.

TEMPLE LODGE, No. 14, F. & A. M.—Meets in the Masonic Hall on the Tuesday evenings on or preceding the full moon of each month. H. W. GOTTENBERG, W. M. S. RINGSTROM, Secretary.

REBEKAH LODGE, No. 99, I. O. O. F.—Meets in Odd Fellows' hall on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month. Mrs. C. H. HESTER, N. G. Mrs. A. PAULI, Secretary.

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VALLEY OF THE MOON CHAPTER, No. 85, O. E. S.—Meets in the Masonic Hall on the Thursday evening on or preceding the full moon of each month. Mrs. C. H. HESTER, W. M. MATTIE GOODMAN, Secretary.

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BEAR FLAG CAMP, No. 788, W. O. W.—Meets in I. O. O. F. Hall the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p. m. J. T. MCQUIDDY, C. G. L. H. GREEN, Secretary.

YOUNG MEN'S INSTITUTE, No. 42—Meets the first Wednesday evening of each month at Odd Fellows' Hall. JOSEPH DOWDALL, President. A. D. GRAHAM, Secretary.

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## WASHINGTON LETTER

[Special Correspondence.]

President Roosevelt is credited in well informed quarters with having two important objects in sending Secretary Taft to the canal zone. One of these is clearly brought out in the president's letter recently made public and is to allay friction with the Panama government. Undoubtedly Secretary Taft is admirably fitted for such a mission, as his success in soothing the recalcitrant Filipino leaders demonstrated.

Further than this, it is believed the president's action points to a desire on the part of the administration to press forward the actual construction of the canal with the greatest possible energy. The president does not want this great project to drag and does not intend to let friction among officials or any other obstacles stand in the way.

It is intimated that, owing to Secretary Taft's trip, the intended visit of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce and the senate committee on interoceanic canals will be discouraged.

### Indian Territory Matters.

Colonel A. S. McKenney and Grant Evans, both of the Indian Territory, have had several conferences with President Roosevelt. Colonel McKenney, who was formerly a member of the Dawes commission, and Mr. Evans, who is president of the Grand Kendall college of the Indian Territory, were sent to Washington by various interests of the territory to guard and protect the rights of the Indians of the territory in connection with the prospective amalgamation of the territory with Oklahoma into one state.

The Indian Territory people are trying to protect all interests by having the bill of statehood provide that all laws now on the statute books applying to the rights of Indians shall become laws in the new state.

### Inheritance Tax Cases.

Department of justice officials expect the supreme court to hand down a decision in the inheritance tax case within a month or so. This is the case involving the legality of the legacy tax levied by the government on the property left by Cornelius Vanderbilt to his son, Alfred G. Vanderbilt. Assistant Attorney General Charles H. Robb has charge of the matter for the department of justice and is known to be confident that the government's contention will be upheld. The amount which the plaintiffs seek to recover and which was paid to the collector of internal revenue is \$311,681.

### New Civil Service Rule.

The civil service commission has issued an order that every applicant for a government position must attach his or her photograph to the examination papers. The photograph must not be more than three years old, and it must be accompanied by an official certification that it is a good likeness. The photograph and samples of the applicant's handwriting will be sent for comparison to the chief of the division to which he is assigned. The order followed the discovery that many applicants for civil service positions were employing "dummies" to take the examinations for them. The fact that many appointees were unable to hold the positions assigned to them aroused suspicion, and investigation revealed the "dummy" system.

### Y. M. C. A. in Panama.

The president recently received Mr. J. R. Thompson, one of the secretaries of the international committee of the Young Men's Christian association, who will proceed shortly to Panama to open a branch there in accordance with recommendations made some time ago by Minister Barrett. At a recent meeting of the international committee, attended by many of the most prominent men of New York, it was decided to open a strong branch on the isthmus, and Mr. Thompson, one of the most efficient men in the service of the committee, was chosen to inaugurate the work.

### Johnston Art Collection.

The Harriet Lane Johnston art collection, one of the most valuable in the United States, will not be accepted by the Corcoran Art gallery, to which it was bequeathed, because of the conditions accompanying the gift. Mrs. Johnston's will specifies that a special building must be constructed for the collection and that it must be turned over to the government in case the United States should ever build a national art gallery. The collection is to be sold at auction soon in New York.

### Postal Estimates.

Postmaster General Wynne has carefully scrutinized and revised the estimates submitted to him by the chiefs of bureaus. The result is, as viewed by the postmaster general, that the figures for the coming year over the appropriation for the current year being \$12,902,490.

### No After Election Hunt.

A story has gone the rounds of the country that immediately after the election President Roosevelt will spend a few days hunting big game in the west. The story said that he would be the guest of Buffalo Bill and that there would be several Englishmen in the party. The Big Horn mountains was fixed as the place for the hunt, with a few days in Colorado later. The fact is that the president has not planned any such trip. Right after the election he will get down to active work on his annual message to congress.

CARL SCHOFIELD.

## HOW FORESTS GROW

THERE ARE TWO GREAT TYPES, THE PURE AND MIXED.

One of the Marvelous Feats of Nature is the Balancing of Conditions Where Trees of Different Habits Enter the Struggle for Existence.

The laws which govern the distribution of trees produce the two great types, the pure and the mixed forest. The former is the result of local conditions which trees of one kind only can survive.

In the North woods the balsam occupies the swamps, usually to the exclusion of all competitors, since no other of the native trees can thrive in wet places. In the Black Hills and other parts of the middle west the small demands of the bull pine upon moisture enable it to form pure woods on a soil too dry to support other native trees. The jack pine of the New Jersey barrens and the long leaf pine of the southern states grow in pure or nearly pure stands since they alone can withstand the peculiar conditions of these regions.

Where climate and soil are favorable to various trees we find the mixed forest, the number of species in mixture depending upon the suitability of the locality to forest growth.

Upon the hardwood flats of the Adirondacks the hard maple, the yellow birch and the beech are the only deciduous trees able to withstand the severe climate. In the southern Appalachian forests, where the trees of the north and south meet under conditions favorable to both, we find more than 100 different kinds.

The distribution of trees, therefore, is the joint result of local conditions and of the individual and varying requirements of the different species upon moisture, soil and climate. The laws, however, which govern forest distribution are not identical with those which regulate the behavior of trees in mixture. They do not explain why each species, if undisturbed, maintains the same proportion in the mixed forest. Why does not the hard maple drive out its competitors in the Adirondacks, the oak gain the upper hand in the forests of the southern Appalachians, the red fir exterminate the western hemlock on the Pacific slope? Wherever a mixed forest occurs there is an unrelenting struggle going on. Let us see how the combatants are armed and why the representation of each species remains unchanged.

The more important of the characteristics which affect the capacity of a tree to hold its own in mixture with trees of other kinds are its demands upon light, its rate of growth and its power of reproduction. No two species require an equal amount of light, grow at the same rate or are identical in their capacity to reproduce themselves. The endowment of each, with habits differing from those of its neighbors, but with strength and weakness so balanced that all which occur in mixture enter the struggle for existence upon an equal footing, is one of the marvelous feats of nature.

The red spruce of the North woods, through its ability to endure dense shade, has been given the power to hold its own against faster growing competitors, some of which exceed it greatly in their capacity to reproduce themselves. The young spruces which spring up here and there throughout the forest struggle along under the heavy crowns of the hard woods, where a tree making more insistent demands upon light could not survive.

In the forests of the southern Appalachians the oak is in many localities the characteristic tree. Growing rapidly and exceedingly hardy, it might be expected to increase steadily its proportion in the mixture. The equilibrium is maintained through the fact that the oak can endure but little shade and that its seed is heavy, limiting its reproduction to the immediate vicinity of the parent tree.

In the same region the yellow poplar and the chestnut, both trees which grow rapidly and are capable of enduring considerable shade, are controlled, the one because much of its seed is barren, the other because many of the nuts are eaten by animals. And the red cedar, of slow growth and sparse representation, is aided through the distribution of its seeds by birds, with their power to germinate unimpaired.

The aspen, short lived and requiring much light, holds its own with longer lived and shade enduring trees because its downy seed is produced in great quantities and is scattered far and wide by the wind. The ash and the basswood, of rapid growth and bearing an abundance of seed, are withheld by strong demands upon light and by the seed of a fresh and fertile soil. The red fir, equalled by few North American trees in rapidity of growth and otherwise well equipped to gain the upper hand in its region, is controlled through the usual failure of its seed to germinate except when accident has removed the leaf litter and exposed the mineral soil.

The study of trees as living, striving organisms in a world of their own leads an almost human interest in the forest. Every day spent in the woods will be the pleasanter for some insight gained into what is going on within it, and an earnest observer can gain knowledge of practical value by an attempt to discover the factors which control the occurrence of trees in mixture. Forestry, which deals with the development of the highest utility of forests, means a thorough understanding of the habits of trees.—Overton W. Price in Youth's Companion.

There is entirely too much time taken up every day trying to help those make up their minds who don't know what they want.—Aitchison Globe.

## LAWS ON EATING.

Meals at One Time Were Regulated by Statute in England.

On Nov. 2, 1336, a law came into force in England for the regulation of meals and continued to have a place on the statute book until 1857. It was designed to check the evils resulting from an excessive use of costly meats and enacted that no one should partake at any place or time (except on specified festivals and holidays to the number of sixteen days a year) of more than two courses, each not consisting of more than two sorts of victuals, either flesh or fish, with the common sorts of pottage, and inexpensive sauce. On named feast days three courses were allowed.

This law was an extension of an ordinance issued by Edward II. in 1313 regulating the meals of his nobles, the greater of whom were allowed in addition to two courses of two kinds of meat a side dish of one sort.

An act of 1363 enacts that servants, artisans and laborers "shall be served to eat and drink once a day of flesh or fish and remnant of other victuals, as of butter, milk and cheese, according to their station in life."—London Telegraph.

## AFTERNOON TEA.

It Was the Vogue in England in the Eighteenth Century.

The earliest mention of afternoon tea is by Carlyle of Ipswich, who, writing of society at Harrogate in 1763, says, "The ladies gave afternoon tea and coffee in their turns."

In 1766 William Dutton wrote home from Eton college to his father in Shropshire, "I wish you would be so kind as to let me have tea and sugar to drink in the afternoon, without which there is no keeping company with other boys of my standing." Dr. Somerville, minister of Jedburgh, writing of social habits in Scotland in his early life (1741), says, "Most families, both in the higher and in the middle ranks, used tea at breakfast, but among the latter it was only recently introduced in the afternoon, on the occasion of receiving company."

Thackeray, in "The Newcomes" (1855), alludes to the light refreshment halfway between lunch and dinner as if it were already a fashionable institution, "Barnes Newcome comes every day from the city, drops in and drinks tea at 5 o'clock."—London Globe.

Storms. "Allbone says he can foretell storms." "He can not only tell them. He can cause them." "How?" "By staying out till midnight."

## CASTORIA

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SOCIETY NOTICES.

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## A Narrow Escape.

Prof. T. A. Lewis Came Near Losing His Life Last Wednesday Night

Prof. T. A. Lewis, Vice-Principal of Sonoma Valley High School, came perilously near losing his life Wednesday evening.

About 6 o'clock p. m. he had occasion to use externally some deadly poison in solution and in using it, inadvertently got hold of a stronger solution than he had intended. This poison became absorbed through the pores of the skin and the terrible effect was felt almost instantly.

Dr. Estes was hurriedly called and responded just in time and administered the proper antidotes.

At one time his life was despaired of and so great was the danger of his passing away that a telegram was written, but before it was sent the patient rallied somewhat, and the message was not sent.

Dr. Estes and Mr. McHugh worked hard all night with Mr. Lewis and towards morning felt that he was out of danger, or at least that his condition was past the critical period.

Mr. Lewis is still confined to his room and is not yet entirely out of danger but unless unforeseen complications set in, he is on the fair road to recovery.

As it is, he will not be able to resume his work as Vice-Principal of the High School for several days.

His many friends will be glad to see him about again and sincerely hope soon to hear of his complete recovery.

## CATHOLICS, ATTENTION!

Commencing with Sunday, Nov. 20th and until further notice, mass will be said in St. Francis' Church, Sonoma, on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 10:30 a. m., and on the 2nd and 4th Sundays mass will be said in St. Francis' Church, Sonoma, at 9 a. m. and in Mervyn Hall, Glen Ellen, at 11 a. m. On the 5th Sunday of every month in which five Sundays occur, mass will be said in Mervyn Hall, Glen Ellen, at 9 a. m., and in St. Francis Church, Sonoma, at 11 a. m.

## FAVORED BY BOTH PARTIES

Republicans and Democrats alike praise Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and all throat and lung diseases, as no other remedy can compare with it. It is safe and sure. F. T. Slater, merchant, 171 Main St., Gloucester, Mass. writes: "Foley's Honey and Tar cured me of a very bad cough which I had for three months though other remedies failed to benefit me. I can highly recommend it for coughs and colds." Sold by L. S. Simmons, druggist.

John A. Brown, a pioneer capitalist of the Gold Ridge section, passed away at his home there last week.

## El Verano News Notes

Mrs. J. Revie visited her husband in the hospital last week, and reports him doing well.

Among those who visited the Baines ranch were Wm. and Geo. Baines of San Francisco.

J. Albert Dutil, one of the El Verano twisters, has returned from the metropolis where he spent last week sight-seeing.

J. W. Oliver was a visitor at the Lewis ranch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Lalane of San Francisco, are visiting their folks at the French Cottage Hotel.

L. D. Batchelor visited his ranch west of town Sunday.

A carload of race horses bound for New York, passed through here Saturday, among which was the noted horse "Sydney Dillon."

L. Plastre returned from San Francisco Wednesday where he had spent several weeks.

Mike Mullen made a business trip to Sonoma Saturday.

SUNNY JIM.

## FINDING THE FRAGMENTS

Pieces of the cannon formerly owned by Theodore Wagner of Glen Ellen and now owned by no one, which some persons wishing to celebrate the result of last week's election loaded with powder and gravel and fired, with the result that the cannon exploded, are still being picked up here and there, a correspondent writes. One piece weighing thirty pounds was found in a neighboring back yard and another twenty pound fragment fell in the yard behind Gaige's butcher shop. That no one was hurt is miraculous. Several people had a narrow escape.

## GOOD BOXING EXHIBITION

A number of interesting sparring events took place under the auspices of the Schellville Athletic Club last Saturday evening at Eden Dale. The main attraction was a boxing exhibition and a large crowd was in attendance. The principal feature of the evening's fun was a six round go between an active young El Verano athlete and a husky young fighter of Vineburg. The latter was declared the winner in the fourth round, on a foul.

This is the second event pulled off by this enterprising club and was heartily enjoyed by the crowd present. One gentleman from San Francisco compared the match very favorably with amateur events of the kind in the metropolis.

## THANKSGIVING SERVICES

Union Thanksgiving Services will be held in the Congregational Church at 10:30 a. m., on Thanksgiving Day. The Rev. L. R. Rowe pastor of the Methodist Church will preach the sermon. The general public is cordially invited to be present.

## COMING EVENTS.

The Woodmen of the World, as represented by Bear Flag Camp of Sonoma, are arranging for a series of entertainments and dances to be given during the coming winter, and as planned will, if successfully carried out, result in much pleasure and enjoyment for their friends. The series will open Friday, Nov. 25th, with an entertainment and dance.

The well known elocutionist, Prof. Virgil A. Pinkley, of Cincinnati, O., will amuse the audience with his medley as follows:

### MUSIC.

"The Afterwhile," a comedy scene from "Our American Cousin," as adapted and enacted by V. A. Pinkley.

"Dot Leedle Poy of Mein," by James Whitcomb Riley.

"At the Literary," an amusing character sketch by J. W. Riley.

"The Grumble Valley Grumbler," by V. A. Pinkley.

### MUSIC.

"The Quarrel Scene from Julius Caesar," by Shakespeare.

"Sister Sue," as told by a jolly son of the soil, by V. A. Pinkley.

"Mother Knows I'm Coming Home," by F. E. Brooks.

"The Kindergarten Tot," by F. E. Brooks.

"Old Man and Jim," J. W. Riley.

"When the Frost is on the Pumpkin," by J. W. Riley.

The professor has received high encomiums throughout the state, the following from the Los Angeles Examiner of July 7, 1904, will serve as a sample:

"Virgil A. Pinkley in his monologue statement of Hazel Kirke last night proved himself one of the best entertainers in America. If you were not looking at him all the time, you would say there were a dozen men on the stage, and when you were looking at him you felt sure you saw them all, so perfect were the illusions he created. His instantaneous transformations from one character to another was the work of a genius. His 'Long Beach Chautauqua' places him at the head of the character actors in the country."

Dr. M. B. Estes, for many years a prominent worker of the order, will introduce the professor and explain the objects of the association.

Council Commander J. T. MacQuiddy, will act as chairman.

Admission to entertainment and dance, 25 cents.

## PERMANENTLY ORGANIZED

Permanent organization of the Glen Ellen Improvement Club was effected at a meeting of the ladies held last Saturday afternoon in May Flower hall. The following officers were elected. Mos. L. B. Corbales, president; Mrs. L. B. Corbales, president; Mrs. J. T. Haskell, recording secretary; Mrs. W. Gordenker, corresponding secretary; Mrs. A. E. Gaige, treasurer.

A committee consisting of Mrs. Harry Weise and Mrs. Gaige was appointed to pay a visit to the Dunbar Improvement Club, it being the intention of the new club to work in harmony with the former organization.

## A THREE DAYS' FAIR

The Sonoma Valley Woman's Club has decided to give a three-night entertainment, and fair, commencing Dec. 21.

It is probable that the feature for one evening will be a baby show, and for another evening, a doll show.

Plans have not been perfected as yet but at an early date the committees will be appointed and proceed to work.

## HADN'T MET IN 52 YEARS

There was a happy meeting between two brothers at the Church farm below town last Sunday.

Mr. Samuel Church arrived from his home in Illinois to see his brother, Douglas Church, the well known pioneer farmer of this valley. The brothers had not seen each other in 52 years, and naturally the meeting was a very joyful one indeed.

Mr. Samuel Church will remain here for several days.

The fall meeting of the Sonoma Association of Congregational Churches was held in Petaluma, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Rev. Reid of Sonoma was on the program for a paper, his subject being "The Minister and his Parish."

## Items of Local News

Mrs. O. B. Shaw returned Wednesday from a Petaluma visit.

Possessing a clear and active thinking cap, Mrs. Ada Pauli was able to solve correctly one of the intricate Bulletin puzzles, and has been awarded a fine purse as a prize. How much wherewithal the purse will contain notifier saith not.

Nov. 25 is the date. Union Hall the place—be there.

Rev. R. L. Rowe, pastor of the M. E. church, has been quite ill this week and Wednesday Dr. Scherer was called in to attend him. He is resting easily now and it is expected he will be able to occupy his pulpit next Sunday.

D. A. Fussell's market keeps constantly on hand fresh fruits, vegetables, etc.

Otto Gericke was thrown from his wagon one day last week and is suffering from pains in the side and back. We hope to hear of his recovery soon and that no serious complications will set in.

John Revie is reported as constantly on the mend. This will be good news to his many friends here.

Jos. Revie and family are now residing on the old Carriger place, formerly the home of his brother, John Revie.

We keep none but the best goods—G. H. Hotz.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bates returned Tuesday evening from a San Francisco visit.

Mrs. R. G. Shoults and children of Napa, drove over Monday and spent the day in Sonoma.

A. F. Pauli of the metropolis, spent Sunday with home folks here.

D. A. Fussell will supply you with your fruits, vegetables and fish at reasonable prices; also has a large supply of new potatoes, the famous Bihler Lake white potatoes, large and sound, there's none better.

Frank Weaver is building a new barn for Ed. Goethe near Agua Caliente.

Mrs. Albert Sherman and son William, former Sonoma people, were visiting friends here Sunday.

Mrs. John Lawler visited relatives in Petaluma this week.

J. H. Moore of Sabre Vista, took twelve fine ponies belonging to Mr. Speckles to Burlingame Thursday, where they will be entered in the polo races.

Bids for the construction of Sonoma's new city hall be opened at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on December 7 next.

Constable Jos. Ryan was called to Benicia Sunday owing to the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Flynn. At last reports her condition was considered very critical. The end may not be far off. The many friends of the family here hope that her life may be spared and are anxiously hoping to hear encouraging news.

Has your horse been properly shod? If not A. W. Weaver can do the work to perfection.

A young lady who is learning to ride a bicycle, had the misfortune to collide with a telegraph pole the other day, and the ardour with which she embraced it, in her effort to maintain her equilibrium, brought a blush to the cheek of her male escort.

PASTURAGE TO RENT—Parties desiring to pasture stock should apply to J. Silvia, Sonoma, Cal.

Wm. Camm, the pioneer contractor and builder of Petaluma, now located in San Francisco, spent Sunday in the valley. Mr. Camm has some contracts in Glen Ellen at present.

Are you slim? Attend the Woodmen of the World entertainment at Union Hall, Nov. 25. You'll laugh and grow fat.

Miss Ramona Granice entertained a few of her young friends at a party in honor of her ninth birthday last Saturday afternoon. A jolly good time was had by the young folks. Dainty refreshments were served.

At a regular meeting in Masonic Hall last night, Valley of the Moon Chapter, O. E. S. elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. Lena Hocker, worthy Matron; Wm. Clewe, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Ella Minkle, Associate Matron; Mrs. Alta Weaver, Conductress; Miss Maud Fraser, Associate Conductress; Miss Mattie Goodman, Sec'y, Miss Annie Pemberton, Treasurer. The officers will be installed Dec. 20.

Mr. Frank Ahern left for his home in New York last Monday after a pleasant sojourn in Sonoma Valley for the past three months.

Mr. & Mrs. Ed. Johannsen are visiting in Southern California.

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Mr. Baines, the well-known pioneer, is reported critically ill at his home near El Verano.

Don't forget to treat yourself to a good time on Thanksgiving Eve., Nov. 23. Attend the grand Y. M. I. ball at Union Hall.

The official count of the Board of Supervisors give the following correct majorities in Sonoma County: Roosevelt, 2447; McKinlay, 219; Lorigan, 1959; Cromwell, 1147; Tripp, 121; Hart, 249; Austin, 201; Button, 209.

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## Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the construction of a stone fountain in the plaza, on the corner opposite the center of Broadway, Sonoma, will be received by the Executive Board, Sonoma Valley Woman's Club, and will be opened at the regular meeting of the Board on Monday afternoon, Nov. 28, 1904. Plans and specifications can be seen at Lutgens' Candy Parlors.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
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It is reported that President Roosevelt will become the President of Harvard University at the close of his term in 1909.

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Adolphus Weber, 20 years old, has been accused of killing his father, mother, brother and sister, by shooting them and then setting fire to their home in Auburn Thursday evening of last week. He is also accused of the robbery of the Placer county bank last June.

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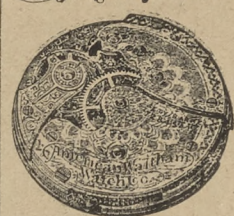
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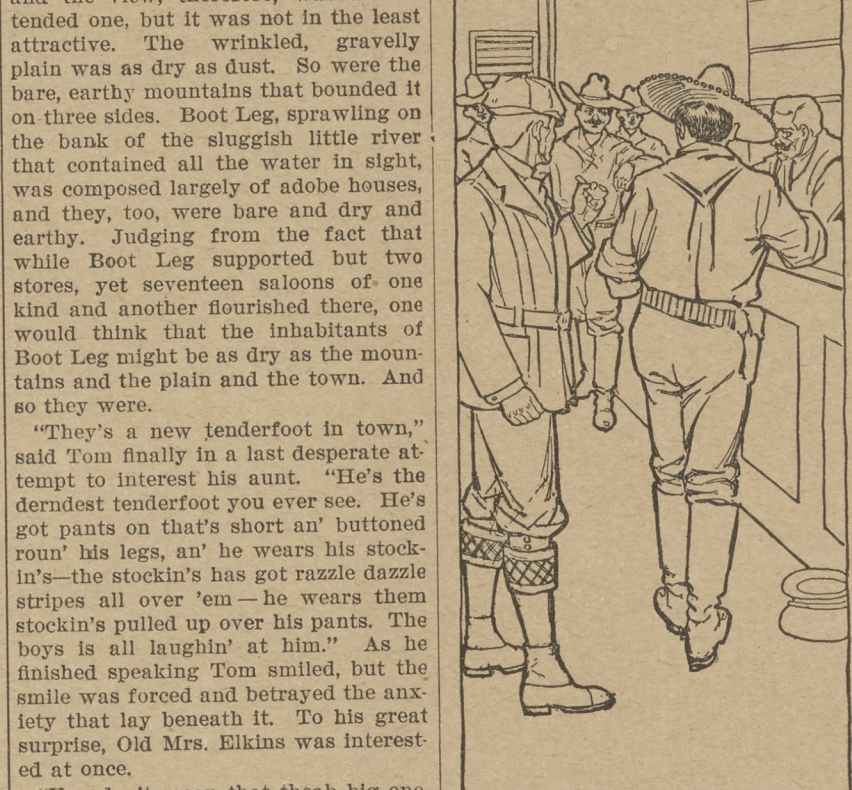
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# The Salting of the Tio Juan

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**CHAPTER I.**  
**BOOT LEG** was approximately quiet, for it was a little after noon and most of Boot Leg was at dinner.  
Old Mrs. Elkins sat at her table, but she was not eating. Tom, her nephew, noted this, and from time to time he would suspend his own energetic attack upon the food long enough to glance uneasily at his aunt. Her conduct was unusual, and it troubled him. It was not her lack of appetite that troubled Tom so much as her abstraction. Ordinarily she was interested in everything. Now each remark offered by Tom was half heard and answered in monosyllables, frequently irrelevant ones, and she kept her head turned toward a window in such a manner that Tom could not see her face.  
There was no apparent reason why she should wish to look out of the window. To be sure, the cottage was built on the only eminence in Boot Leg, and the view, therefore, was an extended one, but it was not in the least attractive. The wrinkled, gravelly plain was as dry as dust. So were the bare, earthy mountains that bounded it on three sides. Boot Leg, sprawling on the bank of the sluggish little river that contained all the water in sight, was composed largely of adobe houses, and they, too, were bare and dry and earthy. Judging from the fact that stores, yet seventeen saloons of one kind and another flourished there, one would think that the inhabitants of Boot Leg might be as dry as the mountains and the plain and the town. And so they were.



"You don't mean that theah big one do you," she cried, "the one—well, that theah one with the yellah hair?" In her eagerness Old Mrs. Elkins' voice, in spite of its soft southwestern drawl, became almost sharp.  
"Yes, he's big," replied her nephew, "big as me, bigger maybe. His hair's sure kinder light too. He was out there none so slow for a man if he didn't have them fool clo'es on. Don't see what a man wants ter dress himself up like a monkey fer, the way he does."  
"He don't look no moah like a monkey'n you do," said Old Mrs. Elkins indignantly, "not so much. He hasn't got a brown hide like you. I don't see what you wantah run down a phuson foh juss' because he happens to be bettah lookin' than you."  
Tom looked at his aunt in blank astonishment. Never before had he heard her speak in this way. He regarded it as another proof that her health was failing.  
"Look here," said he anxiously after a moment's pause. "I'm a-goin' ter git that there doctor from Gila Bend ter come over an' have a look at you. There's somethin' slipped a cog. I seen it yestiday. I'm a-goin' ter wire fer that there doctor." Tom half rose from his chair as he spoke.  
"Set down," said Old Mrs. Elkins imperiously. "Now, tell me, did you see that theah tenderfoot to speak to?"  
"No, not partic'lar. Asked him ter have a drink, an' he said he wasn't drinkin'; that's all," replied Tom, respecting himself according to the instructions of his aunt. He had a lifelong habit of obedience to her. "A lot of the boys was kinder givin' him the laugh," he added.  
"What'd he do?"  
"Didn't do nothin'; didn't say a word; looked kinder mad, though, 'bout 'bout the las'. You see, some of the boys was a-gettin' kinder ov'ly an' was what you might call personal. Shouldn't wonder if that there tenderfoot didn't get hot under the collar an' go fer some one bimeby. Then there'll be trouble fer the tenderfoot, mos' like."  
"Theah'll be trouble fer the man that runs 'gainst him. I'll see to that myself. Have you got 'tough eatin'?" Tom replied in the affirmative. "Then you go. Wheah was that tenderfoot to? Well, then, you go down to the hotel an' see that theah ain't no trouble. You get to know that theah tenderfoot an' bring him back heah as soon's you can an' make him stay to supper. Now go, Tawm. I know what I want all right, an' it ain't no doctah."  
Tom departed, wondering greatly. What his aunt wanted with this tenderfoot more than with any one of the others who now and then passed through the town he could not imagine. Still, she did want him, and therefore he must come. The idea that the young man himself might decline the invitation never crossed Tom's mind. He was not alone in his habit of obedience to Old Mrs. Elkins. The whole town shared it. She was the one woman to whom Boot Leg, masculine almost to a unit, could point with pride. Every one called her "Old Mrs. Elkins," and truly she looked older than many women do at seventy, though her age, she said, was but fifty-four, and Old Mrs. Elkins was not one to lie about her age or about anything else. Little, stooped and shrunken, dressed always in neat calico, her white hair strained back from her gentle face, she did not seem at all like a heroine of the tales of famine and drought and bloodshed that had become traditions in Boot Leg.

frontier. Nearly all her life had been spent far from even the smallest settlement in the desert country of the southwest. Boot Leg to her was a center of civilization, yet even now a small lump that always appeared on the bosom of Old Mrs. Elkins' calico gown was generally known to be caused by a weapon that rested there, a weapon which she would as soon have thought of leaving off as she would the gown itself and which no woman could use with more quickness and accuracy.  
When Boot Leg pointed with pride to Old Mrs. Elkins, it did so from a familiarity, and the fact that she had never until now asked any man into her house made the present invitation more remarkable. Furthermore, Tom did not know how to deliver it. He was not acquainted with this young man, and it is difficult for a diffident person—and Tom was diffident—to deliver an invitation of this kind to a stranger.  
"or some time Tom strolled aimlessly about, bringing up at last at the primitive little building that called itself a hotel, with a resolution to speak to the stranger and have it over with.  
The barroom was crowded, as at this time of day it always was. In the evening the gambling saloons and dance halls took the people elsewhere. On the veranda sat the tenderfoot, pretending not to hear the comments on his appearance made by the men in the barroom. There was no one with him. Rather at a loss how to open a conversation, Tom seated himself by the stranger's side. For a moment or two he shifted uneasily. Then, to cover his embarrassment, he pulled from his pocket a pipe and tobacco bag. The bag proved to be empty.  
"Try mib," said the young man by his side, handing over a pouch. Tom filled his pipe, lit it, took a couple of puffs and then, nodding thanks, returned the pouch.  
"That there's good tobacco," said he.  
"Glad you like it," returned the other. Then there was a long pause, during which Tom smoked vigorously and looked at his companion out of the corners of his eyes.  
"Didn't come 'om roun' yere no-where?" hazarded Tom at length.  
"No," replied the tenderfoot. Another pause, in which, as before, Tom observed the other man keenly. The remarks from the saloon were becoming more and more offensive. Tom looked at his companion in a gentle amazement that he would allow them to pass unnoticed. Then he got mildly indignant on behalf of this stranger.  
"There's some fools in there, what want 'lekin'," said he after awhile.  
"They'll get it in about five minutes more," answered the young fellow more quickly than he had yet spoken. "I don't want any trouble, and I haven't said anything, but I'm getting pretty sick of it now."  
"I'd got sick some time back," rejoined Tom sympathetically. "Kin you shoot?" As he spoke he made a motion as though drawing and firing a pistol. The young fellow shook his head.  
"Not to speak of," said he.  
"Some of them fellers kin," said Tom, "an' there's some of them what wouldn't min' shootin' a man like you, what wasn't heeled, neither. Course I could kill him afterward," he added reflectively, "but that wouldn't do much good. Reckon I kin fix it, though. Look yere. You willin' ter lick two or three of them fellers?"  
"Be most happy," said the tenderfoot, rising from his seat. Tom also rose and, followed by the other, made two or three quick steps toward the barroom door, but before he reached it he suddenly stopped and faced around.  
"Look yere," said he. "I don't know whether I oughter do this thing er not. I got ter take you home with me ter eat supper. My aunt, Ol' Mis' Elkins, tol' me ter bring you, an' if I got you damaged I don't know what she'd say. But maybe you'd better go 'tough with it now you started. Come on." Entering the room, the two men strolled toward the bar. Tom asked the tenderfoot his name.  
"Joyce—Robert Joyce," said he.  
"Mine's Tom Caruthers," said Tom. He leaned his back against the bar and looked around the room. All eyes were on him and his companion.  
"Look yere, gentlemen, if you'll allow me ter use that there expression,"

said he, addressing the crowd. "This yere young feller he's called Bob Joyce what his jist struck the town. He's heard some of you a-talkin' in a way that's kinder personal 'bout them there socks what he's got on. Now, he al-lows that it ain't none of yer business what kinder socks he wears, an' if anybody thinks he'd like to make it his business all he's got ter do is ter step right up an' interview Mr. Bob Joyce on the subject." He paused, and again he looked around the room. No one spoke.  
"Come," Tom went on. "We can't wait here all night jus' fer your convenience. Step lively an' come along one at a time. Now's the time ter subscribe. Nobody com'?" Where's yer sportin' blood? Here's \$50, all or any part of it, on Mr. Bob Joyce 'gainst any man yere at evens, guns an' knives barred." He paused again and then went on: "Five ter four, then. Nc takers? Five ter three. Nobody yet? Two ter one. Now, then, that's my las offer. You fellers is a kinder jack rabbit crowd. So long. We can't wait no longer. Only don't say you ain't had a fair chance fer a firs' class lickin'; that's all." As he finished speaking he motioned Joyce to precede him and then backed out of the door. Once outside he hurried his companion down the road and around the corner of an adobe building.  
"Now we know where we're at," said he. "It wasn't no way likely that none of them fellers would do anything, but you can't never tell. There's some that'd like ter. They'll all be dead soon on you now after that bluff I chucked. You wantah look out fer that there crowd."

"Do you mean that they'll shoot me in the back?" asked Joyce uneasily.  
"No, maybe not. Likely they'll try an' get you inter an argumet, though, an' then let that kinder make an openin'." Have ter keep yer gun handy; that's all."  
"But I haven't any gun," said the younger man, rather concerned at the prospect before him. Tom, however, seemed to take it as a matter of course.  
"Oh, well," said he in a soothing tone, "you kin get one temorrow. Yere we are at the house. That's her standin' in the door there."

**CHEAP SILKS.**  
They Do Not Wear Well Because They Are Heavily Adulterated.  
The woman whose silk skirt splits the second or third time she wears it is apt to sigh for the silks of her grandmother's day, with their seemingly imperishable qualities, but as a matter of fact silks are much better now than they were before. The ancestral silks, which were woven on hand looms, were never of an even texture, whereas with modern machinery the last inch of a hundred yard piece comes out exactly the same as the first one. The art of dyeing, too, has been brought to a state of perfection never known before, and communication between the silk workers of the world is so rapid that a discovery made by one is soon known to all the others. The reason so many modern silks do not wear is because they are adulterated to meet the demand for cheapness. Their wearing ability being in exact proportion to the amount of silk they contain. Cheap silks are largely made up of dye and dressing. A good quality of silk is defined by manufacturers as one which has not more than four ounces of weighting to the pound, and none have less than two ounces. Most of the weighting is put in during the dyeing process, and when a manufacturer sends a quantity of silk to the dyer he says that he wants it to come back weighing so much, according to the amount of adulteration required.—New York Tribune.

**POINTED PARAGRAPHS.**  
Forgiveness is a very poor foundation for friendship.  
Going visiting is like borrowing from the neighbors—you have to pay back.  
Which would be wiser for a man past fifty to do—marry a trained nurse or a good cook?  
There is need of a never-fail- with-your-meals club. Digestion would be better and the family happier.  
If a secret is kept a secret this is one sign that it was not considered important enough to tell.  
One thing about an idle woman—she does not stand on the street and bore people with her "views," as an idle man does.  
Speaking of superfluous words, is it necessary to say in telling that a woman has gone visiting that she is visiting "friends"?—Athenian Globe.

**To the Point.**  
The late General Russell Hastings served with distinction in the civil war, and his wartime reminiscences were amusing.  
He was describing one day a time when the soldiers' pay had been in arrears.  
"A young westerner, full of braggadocio," he said, "walked up to his captain during the temporary trouble, saluted and said sternly:  
"Three words with you, cap.'  
"Well," said the captain, "what are they?"  
"Money or discharge."  
"The captain smiled grimly.  
"Four with you," he said.  
"Well?"  
"Neither one nor t'other."—New York Tribune.

**Old Time Controversies.**  
Old time controversies were often vigorous in language. In a controversy with Milton concerning the divine right of kings Salmasius called his opponent a puny piece of a man, a homunculus, a dwarf not having a human figure, a bloodless being, a creature of skin and bones, a contemptible pedagogue fit only to dog boys, a ridiculous, a hangdog looking fellow. The great English poet not only answered in kind, but entered into an extensive correspondence with people in Holland to obtain petty gossip and scandalous anecdotes concerning his opponent.

**The Ridiculous Part.**  
"Do you see anything ridiculous in my wig?" said a judge to the famous Irish barrister, John Curran.  
"Nothing but the head," flew back the retort.

**DID HIS BEST.**  
He Brought the Only Cant Hook That He Could Find.  
If the report of the Fulton Gazette is true a Missouri farmer, accompanied by several of his hired men, went into the woods one morning in the fall of the year to cut down some trees. When about to begin work it was discovered that the cant hook had been left behind. Turning to one of the men, an Irishman not very long over, the farmer instructed him to drive back to the barn for the missing tool. The Irishman did not know what a cant hook looked like, but was averse to exposing his ignorance, so drove off on his errand, trusting to find some one at the farm who would enlighten him.  
At the barn, however, there was no one to help him out of his dilemma. Casting his eyes about the place for the thing that would be most likely to bear the name of "cant hook," he saw a mulley cow with never a sign of a horn upon its head and concluded it was what he had been sent for.  
Procuring a rope he fastened the cow to the rear end of his vehicle and exultingly drove back to the woods.  
"What the Sam Hill have you got there?" shouted the farmer on seeing his messenger and the cow. "I sent you for the cant hook to use in moving the logs. What have you brought that cow for?"  
"Be jabbers, boss, divil another thing could I see around the barn that can't hook but this."

**An Accurate Marksman.**  
Accuracy is one of the best business accomplishments. However, it is seldom drawn to a finer point than in the following story, taken from the Chicago Journal:  
During the bombardment of Alexandria in 1882 Lord Charles Beresford asked a gunner if he could hit a man who was on the fort. The gunner replied:  
"Aye, aye, sir."  
"Then hit him in the eye," said Lord Beresford. He was surprised when the gunner inquired:  
"Which eye, sir?"

**A Process Reversed.**  
"You regard campaign calculations as a distinct branch of mathematics?"  
"Yes," answered the erudite personage. "The method differs from all others. You start with the answer and then work backward and evolve a problem to demonstrate it."—Washington Star.

**Dog's Memory of a Bee Sting.**  
"Something must have stung your dog," said a resident of this city to a suburbanite, whom he was visiting a few days ago, after snapping frantically at a dying insect, lowered his head and carefully licked his right forepaw.  
"No," replied the owner of the dog, "that is only a little delusion of his. When he was a puppy a bee stung him on that foot you see him attending to, and ever since he has cherished a standing grudge against flying insects. Apparently the sight of one not only arouses his anger, but recalls most vividly his first experience with one, for each time after running after one, whether he catches it or not, he stops and tenderly licks the place where he was stung two years ago. As far as I know he has never been stung since then."—Philadelphia Press.

**The Limit.**  
"How much will you give me for a novel of 40,000 words?"  
"Let me see," replied the editor. "You ought to get six months for that!"—Atlanta Constitution.



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